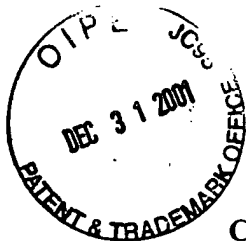


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**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which

\_\_\_\_\_ is attached hereto.  
XX was filed on 22 August 2001 as Application No. 09/935,213  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which states in relevant part: "Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section....The duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability is deemed to be satisfied if all information known to be material to patentability of any claim issued in a patent was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by §§ 1.97(b)-(d) and 1.98."

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate as indicated below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

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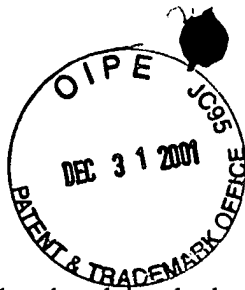
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s), and under §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s), listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulation, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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| <u>09/847,937</u><br>(Application Serial No.) | <u>2 May 2001</u><br>(Filing Date)     | <u>Pending</u><br>(Patented, Pending, Abandoned) |
| <u>60/227,408</u><br>(Application Serial No.) | <u>23 August 2000</u><br>(Filing Date) | <u>Pending</u><br>(Patented, Pending, Abandoned) |

I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to file, prosecute and to transact all business in connection with international applications directed to said invention:

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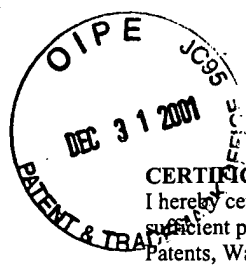
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| UZI LEV-AMI et al.                              | ) |                                   |
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| Application No. 09/935,213                      | ) | Examiner: <i>Unassigned</i>       |
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| Filed: 22 August 2001                           | ) |                                   |
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| For: <b>Method and Apparatus for Monitoring</b> | ) |                                   |
| <b>Host to Tool Communications</b>              | ) |                                   |

**POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE TO EXCLUSION OF INVENTOR**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.71 WITH REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS**

Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

The undersigned ASSIGNEE of the entire interest in the above-identified application for letters patent hereby appoints:

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to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith and hereby revokes all prior powers of attorney; said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventors and the inventors' attorneys in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 3.71.

Application No. 09/935,213

The following evidentiary documents establish a chain of title from the original owner to the Assignee:

X a copy of an Assignment attached hereto, which Assignment has been (or is herewith) forwarded to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording; or

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Signature: LAW

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Title: CTO

Date: Aug 30, 01



## JOINT TO CORPORATE ASSIGNMENT

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WHEREAS, the undersigned,

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hereinafter termed "Inventors", have invented certain new and useful improvements in

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and have filed an application for a United States patent disclosing and identifying the above invention on 22 August 2001 as Application No. 09/935,213, OR are filing such an application herewith, and have executed an oath or declaration of inventorship for such application on:

- (1) the 9 day of Sep, 2001;
- (2) the 9 day of Sep, 2001;

(hereinafter termed "application"); and

WHEREAS, **EquipNET Ltd.**, a corporation of **Israel**, having a place of business at **10 Plait St., Rehovot 76122, ISRAEL** (hereinafter termed "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the invention disclosed therein, and in and to all embodiments of the invention, heretofore conceived, made or discovered jointly or severally by said Inventors (all collectively hereinafter termed "said invention"), and in and to any and all patents, inventor's certificates and other forms of protection (hereinafter termed "patents") thereon granted in the United States and foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of good and valuable consideration acknowledged by said Inventors to have been received in full from said Assignee:

1. Said Inventors do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto said Assignee the entire right, title and interest (a) in and to said application and said invention; (b) in and to all rights to apply for foreign patents on said invention pursuant to the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or otherwise; (c) in and to any and all applications filed and any and all patents granted on said invention in the United States or any foreign country, including each and every application filed and each and every patent granted on any application which is a divisional, substitution, continuation, or continuation-in-part of any of said applications; and (d) in and to each and every reissue or extensions of any of said patents.

2. Said Inventors hereby jointly and severally covenant and agree to cooperate with said Assignee to enable said Assignee to enjoy to the fullest extent the right, title and interest herein conveyed in the United



States and foreign countries. Such cooperation by said Inventors shall include prompt production of pertinent facts and documents, giving of testimony, execution of petitions, oaths, specifications, declarations or other papers, and other assistance all to the extent deemed necessary or desirable by said Assignee (a) for perfecting in said Assignee the right, title and interest herein conveyed; (b) for prosecuting any of said applications; (c) for filing and prosecuting substitute, divisional, continuing or additional applications covering said invention; (d) for filing and prosecuting applications for reissuance of any said patents; (e) for interference or other priority proceedings involving said invention; and (f) for legal proceedings involving said invention and any applications therefor and any patents granted thereon, including without limitation reissues and reexaminations, opposition proceedings, cancellation proceedings, priority contests, public use proceedings, infringement actions and court actions; provided, however, that the expense incurred by said Inventors in providing such cooperation shall be paid for by said Assignee.

3. The terms and covenants of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and other legal representatives, and shall be binding upon said Inventors, their respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

4. Said Inventors hereby jointly and severally warrant and represent that they have not entered and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding in conflict herewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said Inventors have executed and delivered this instrument to said Assignee as of the dates written below.

Uzi Lev-Ami  
Uzi Lev-Ami

9 Sep 01  
Date

State of \_\_\_\_\_ )  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ )

On 9 Sep, 2001, before me, WZJ LEVAMI,  
personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_,

✓ personally known to me or \_\_\_\_\_ proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence, to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

(Notary Public)  
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YIP  
Yossef Ilan Reich

SEPT. 9, 2001  
Date

State of )  
County of )

On SEP 9, 2001, before me, YOSSEF REICH,  
personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_,

☒ personally known to me or \_\_\_\_\_ proved to me on the basis of  
satisfactory evidence, to be the person whose name is subscribed  
to the within instrument and ~~acknowledged to me that he/she~~  
~~executed the same in his/her authorized capacity~~, and that by  
his/her signature on the instrument the person or the entity upon  
behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

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